FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ORANGE PARK



August 20, 2023

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:

Leviticus 8:14-15

¹⁴ Then he brought the bull of the sin offering, and Aaron and his sons laid their hands on the head of the bull of the sin offering. ¹⁵ And he killed it, and Moses took the blood, and with his finger put it on the horns of the altar around it and purified the altar and poured out the blood at the base of the altar and consecrated it to make atonement for it.¹

Hebrews 9:15-22

¹⁵ Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. ¹⁶ For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. ¹⁷ For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. ¹⁸ Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. ¹⁹ For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, ²⁰ saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you." ²¹ And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. ²² Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. ²

D-GROUP AGENDA

Welcome & Catch Up

Begin your D-Group time by taking a few minutes to catch up since your last meeting. Share updates regarding prayer requests shared previously and celebrate what God has done and is doing in the lives of your group members.

Read It

Read the scripture passage, highlighting portions that stand out and things you wish to discuss.

Study It

Among your group, discuss those things that stand out in the passage. For things that may be confusing or create more questions, work together to discover God's truth. Here are a few good books on Hebrews and Leviticus.

¹ <u>The Holy Bible: English Standard Version</u>. (2016). (Le 8:14–15). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

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Review It

How are the connections between the old covenant as revealed in Leviticus and other books helping clarify elements in the book of Hebrews?

What are some thoughts or questions related to the Aaronic priesthood and the fact that Israel had all the things needed for this priesthood other than the priests as we enter Leviticus 8? How does this compare to the revelation that Christ is our ultimate priest.

What does it mean for Christians to hold to the "priesthood of the believers?"

Why do you believe so many choose to ignore talking about the blood of Christ and the old covenant blood sacrifices?

Five Questions

- 1. What did you like about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 2. What did you not like or find confusing about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 3. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about God?
- 4. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about humanity?
- 5. Who outside your group needs to hear the truths from this week's sermon?

Prayer

Pray for each other. Pray for our church and for others gathering in D-groups. Pray for specific needs shared among your members.